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**MINUTES OF THE COMMITTEE  
ON  
TAX POLICY**

Wednesday, May 18, 2016                      10:30 a.m.                      Room 521, House Office Building

The House Committee on Tax Policy was called to order by the Chairman, Representative Jeff Farrington.

Members present: Representatives Farrington, Maturen, Somerville, Yonker, Howrylak, Chatfield, Glenn, Iden, Webber, Townsend, Clemente, LaVoy, and Byrd.

Members absent/excused: None.

Representative Maturen moved to adopt the minutes from the Wednesday, May 11, meeting.

There being no objection, the motion prevailed by unanimous consent.

The Chair laid before the committee HB 5578:

HB 5578 (Maturen)	Property tax; tax tribunal; certain tribunal determinations in assessment disputes as to the valuation of property; require.
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Representative Maturen moved to adopt the substitute (H-1) to HB 5578.

The motion prevailed by a vote of 13-0-0.

**FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:**

YEAS: Representatives Farrington, Maturen, Somerville, Yonker, Howrylak, Chatfield, Glenn, Iden, Webber, Townsend, Clemente, LaVoy, and Byrd.

NAYS: None.

PASS: None.

Laura Haynes, representing the Conference of Western Wayne, submitted a testimony card in support of HB 5578, but did not wish to speak.

Chris Glass, representing the West Michigan Talent Triangle, submitted a testimony card in support of HB 5578, but did not wish to speak.

Tricia Kinley, representing the Michigan Chamber of Commerce, submitted a testimony card in opposition to HB 5578, as substitute (H-1), but did not wish to speak.

Amy Drumm, representing the Michigan Retailers Association, submitted a testimony card in opposition to HB 5578, as substitute (H-1), but did not wish to speak.

Julie Stoneman, representing the Heart of the Lakes, submitted a testimony card in opposition to HB 5578, but did not wish to speak.

Scott Ellis, representing the Michigan Licensed Beverage Association, submitted a testimony card in opposition to HB 5578, but did not wish to speak.

Brian Westrin, representing the Michigan Realtors Association, submitted a testimony card in opposition to HB 5578, but did not wish to speak.

Representative Maturen moved to report HB 5578 as substitute (H-1), with recommendation.

The motion prevailed by a vote of 11-2-0.

#### FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

YEAS: Representatives Farrington, Maturen, Yonker, Howrylak, Chatfield, Iden, Webber, Townsend, Clemente, LaVoy, and Byrd.

NAYS: Representatives Somerville, and Glenn.

PASS: None.

The Chair laid before the committee HB 5611 and 5612:

HB 5611 (Farrington)	Higher education; community colleges; levy, collection, and return of taxes; prohibit in certain circumstances.
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HB 5612 (Farrington)	Property tax; payment and collection; collection of taxes levied by community college districts; prohibit in certain circumstances.
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Representative Maturen moved to adopt the substitute (H-2) to HB 5611.

The motion prevailed by a vote of 12-0-0.

#### FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

YEAS: Representatives Farrington, Maturen, Somerville, Yonker, Howrylak, Chatfield, Glenn, Iden, Webber, Townsend, Clemente, and Byrd.

NAYS: None.

PASS: None.

Chairman Farrington introduced the bills to the committee.

Alex Rosaen, representing the Anderson Economic Group and the Oxford Foundation, testified to HB 5611 and HB 5612

Daniel Hurley, representing the Michigan Association of State Universities, testified in support of HB 5611 and 5612.

Dan Phelan, representing Jackson College, and Mike Hansen, representing the Michigan Community College Association, testified in opposition to HB 5611 and HB 5612.

Robert LeFevre, representing Michigan Independent Colleges and Universities, testified in support of HB 5611 and HB 5612.

Chris Mitchell, representing the Michigan Health and Hospital Association, submitted a testimony card in opposition to HB 5611 and HB 5612, but did not wish to speak.

There being no further business before the committee and seeing no objection, the Chair adjourned the meeting, the time being 12:00 p.m.

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Representative Jeff Farrington, Chair

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Date Approved and Signed

Kevin Gawronski  
Committee Clerk  
May 18, 2016  
1 hour 30 minutes